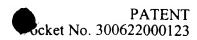
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments. Enclosed in the following Exhibit A:

Exhibit A: Marked-up Version of Amendments to the Specification.